# MINUTES EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

## February 3, 2015 Work Session 4:00 p.m. Policy Session 7:00 p.m.

Eagle Mountain City Council Chambers, 1650 East Stagecoach Run, Eagle Mountain, Utah 84005

## 4:00 P.M. WORK SESSION – COUNCIL CHAMBERS 4:06 PM

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Chris Pengra, Councilmembers Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland.

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Ifo Pili, City Administrator; Paul Jerome, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director; David Mortensen, City Treasurer; Jeremy Cook, City Attorney; Fionnuala Kofoed, City Recorder; Melanie Lahman, Deputy City Recorder; Ikani Taumoepeau, Economic Development Director; Chris Trusty, City Engineer; Adam Ferre, Energy Director; Steve Mumford, Planning Director; Kent Partridge, Building Official; Linda Peterson, Public Information Director; Rand Andrus, Fire Chief; Eric McDowell, Sheriff's Deputy.

Mayor Pengra called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

- 1. CITY ADMINISTRATOR INFORMATION ITEMS This is an opportunity for the City Administrator to provide information to the City Council. These items are for information and do not require action by the City Council.
  - A. <u>Discussion Use of septic tanks in future development</u>
    Chris Trusty, City Engineer, stated that the Utah County Health Department was concerned about septic systems in Utah County. Any subdivision that will be on septic systems must pass Health Department percolation tests. The department requires a lot to have enough yard space to build two septic systems, to provide redundancy in case the primary system fails.

The Health Department is concerned about too many septic systems being located in one area. Too many could potentially contaminate the groundwater.

Mr. Trusty requested direction from the Council as to whether the City should limit or prohibit additional septic systems.

Councilmember Westmoreland asked how difficult it would be to regulate the design and the management of each septic system. Mr. Trusty responded that each system is privately owned, so the City can't monitor them.

Councilmember Ireland said there was some discussion some time ago about trying to find ways to encourage building from the center of the City out rather than from the boundaries in.

Mr. Trusty noted that properties uphill along Wride Memorial Highway will require a lift station or a trunk line all the way to City Center, but that would encouraged growth from the center outward.

City Councilmember Bradley asked if someone could build a septic system within an existing subdivision. Jeremy Cook, City Attorney, said that septic systems can only be built in subdivisions that have been approved for them.

Councilmember Bradley asked when septic tanks are an advantage over sewer systems. Mr. Trusty said they're used when the cost to the developer of connecting to a sewer system is prohibitive.

Councilmember Ireland asked why sewer systems are so expensive for developers, as opposed to other infrastructure. Mr. Trusty answered that it's not really more expensive unless a lift station is required.

Mr. Trusty said Utah County would like municipalities to restrict the number of septic systems that are built because of the potential for contaminating groundwater. Eagle Mountain's wells are so deep that it might not be an issue, but he couldn't be sure of that.

Councilmember Ireland felt that the County could change its code regarding septic systems, since it's the approval authority, rather than asking municipalities to change theirs.

Mr. Mumford said that the County would have to go through the State to change its sewer regulations, because those are based on State code.

Mayor Pengra asked Mr. Cook what the City's liability is with septic systems. Mr. Cook felt there is very little liability, because the County approves the systems. The City makes it very clear to developers that they take a risk in developing land without connecting the lots to the sewer system.

Councilmember Bradley felt that this is a County problem, not a City problem. Mr. Trusty said that if there is a mass failure of septic systems, the City will have to install a sewer line. The County only enforces State regulations.

Mayor Pengra suggested that Councilmembers contact Mr. Trusty with their recommendations on septic systems.

## B. Discussion – Proposed SAA for the Gateway subdivision

Scott Kirkland and Bill Turnbull of Sage Communities, developers of the Gateway subdivision, distributed a packet of information to the Council.

Ifo Pili, City Administrator, stated that Mr. Kirkland and Turnbull are proposing an assessment area to finance a loop road through a proposed subdivision near Hidden Hollow Elementary School. The road is necessary before the subdivision can be built. Mr. Kirkland and Mr. Turnbull described the project to the Mayor and Council.

Councilmember Bradley asked Mr. Pili to explain the mechanics of an assessment area. Mr. Pili described it as a financing mechanism in which the City uses its credit to take out a bond, the landowners make the payments, and the City forecloses on any property on which the assessment isn't paid.

Councilmember Ireland felt it was important to discuss whether this assessment area would be advantageous to the City. He didn't like the idea of approaching each proposed

assessment area individually, without determining general guidelines for what kinds of projects qualify for an assessment area.

Mr. Pili said that's one of the reasons he and Mayor Pengra brought this to the Council. They felt this should be a Council decision, not an administrative one. Mr. Pili's opinion is that assessment areas should only be created for commercial projects or those which are found in the Eagle Mountain Capital Facilities Plan.

Mr. Pili advised Mr. Kirkland and Mr. Turnbull to get an appraisal of the property. The land has to be five times more valuable than the requested amount before the City will consider creating an assessment area.

Mayor Pengra asked how many lots would be created in this project. Mr. Kirkland told him there will be 1500 - 1800 in the entire project. The approximate assessment per lot would be \$4400. The price point of the lots is \$60,000 to \$70,000.

Mayor Pengra felt that, with the inventory of housing in the City right now, it wouldn't be advantageous to the City to create an assessment area for this project.

C. <u>Discussion – Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) and Questar purchase agreements</u>
Mr. Pili told the Council that City staff had hoped to have these agreements ready for Council approval by this meeting. However, there have been a lot of details slowing the process.

Mr. Cook said that the Public Works Building land needs to be re-platted in order to subdivide it. Finn Kofoed, City Recorder, said that a draft preliminary plat has been sent to the County Recorder's Office for review.

Mr. Cook said there are easement issues with the 138 kV power line. There have been negotiations regarding what inventory and fleet vehicles will be part of the utility system sale. Working through agreements with UAMPS and UMPA has taken a lot of time. Negotiations have been ongoing with RMP and Lower Valley Energy about the Horse Butte agreement. The Direct Communications power meter boot agreement needs to be terminated, as well. The City needs to make repairs on some of the assets before they're transferred.

Mr. Cook explained some of the financial issues involved with the sale. The Horse Butte agreement has been very frustrating for all concerned. The offer to Lower Valley Energy is \$4,160,000, of which Eagle Mountain will pay \$2,580,000, which will come out of the proceeds of the sale. The shell hedges need to be terminated. RMP will assume the full megawatts after the City buys down the partial megawatts. This will cost the City around \$155,000. RMP will pay the entire cost of terminating the City's agreement with UMPA and will pay \$500,000 for the Public Works Building.

Paul Jerome, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director, stated that the employees going to Questar and RMP will retain their vacation and seniority. These costs haven't been approved in the budget. A budget amendment will need to be approved at a future meeting to cover these expenses, which will be covered by proceeds from the sale or a mixture of the sale proceeds and fund balance.

Mayor Pengra invited Jeff Richards, Vice President/General Counsel for RMP, to speak. Mr. Richards appreciated the professionalism of the Mayor and staff in working through the issues involved in the sale. He said the reason RMP representatives attended the meeting was to let the Council know that they fully supported the transaction and were committed to providing reliable power to the residents at a reasonable price.

Councilmember Ireland asked what RMP needs to do to complete the agreement after the Council approves it. Mr. Richards said that the regulatory requirements have been met, so all that's required is for RMP to sign the agreement.

Mayor Pengra said that energy markets are fickle, and their volatility has had a financial effect on the negotiations. He appreciated that the parties have been able to get through the difficult parts of the agreement.

Mr. Cook stated that the Questar agreement is much less complicated. There are some easements and other issues to be taken care of.

2. AGENDA REVIEW – The City Council will review items on the Consent Agenda and Policy Session Agenda.

## 12. Spring Run

Mr. Mumford explained that this is a fairly minor change proposed by the developers. Alpine School District will not be building a school in the subdivision, so the developers propose rezoning the school parcel. They will add about five acres to the residential area, create a church lot and move the park site to the east. The proposed church lot is located between the residential and park areas.

Councilmember Ireland was concerned that locating the park away from the residential area and next to the road will make it less convenient for the residents. It might also cause safety issues for children playing in the park. He would prefer moving the park west to the edge of the residential area and moving the church site to the area next to the road.

Discussion ensued on lot sizes, transitioning and buffering. Mr. Mumford asked the Council if they thought the proposed park amenities fit the area, or if they had any specific ideas about what should go into the park. A cash escrow account is set up for the neighborhood park, which guarantees that money will be available for building the park. The developer will be reimbursed from the escrow account as the park is built.

Mr. Mumford felt that some conditions should be added to the approval, which is unusual after Planning Commission approval. He discussed those with the Council. Mr. Mumford's proposed conditions are as follows:

- 1. The approval is contingent upon the Master Development Agreement being amended by the City Council.
- 2. A detailed landscape and irrigation plan for the neighborhood park must be submitted and approved prior to approval of the first final plat. The plan presented tonight is a concept only. The park must comply with the City Code park amenity requirements.
- 3. At recordation of each final plat, an amount equal to the pro-rata cost per lot must be provided as a cash escrow for improvement of the neighborhood park. This escrow will be

- reimbursed to the developer upon completion and approval of portions of the neighborhood park.
- 4. A water model is required to determine pressure zones and available flows.
- 5. Trail buffer areas that are disturbed during construction must be reseeded with a native seed mix that includes sage brush, rabbit brush, and a wildflower mix.
- 6. A minimum 20-foot wide trail connection (with an 8-foot wide trail) shall be built to connect this development with the existing trail in Meadow Ranch that leads to Black Ridge Elementary.

Councilmember Steinkopf didn't think that wildflower mix would grow successfully.

Councilmember Ireland asked if the trail corridor will be maintained by the HOA. Mr. Mumford said it would be good to verify park and trail maintenance with the developers at the Policy Session.

Nikki Wickman, a resident of Cedar Pass Ranch, asked that trash cans, doggy stations and pagodas be added to the trails, similar to those along the trails in The Ranches.

## 13. Transportation Funding Resolution

Mayor Pengra reported on a meeting he had with Cameron Diehl of the Utah Local League of Cities and Towns (ULCT). He noted that road work in Cedar Pass Ranch has been delayed for a long time. He also stated that two City intersections have a service level of "F" – Porter's Crossing and SilverLake Parkway along Pony Express Parkway – and a section of Bobby Wren Blvd. remains unfinished. B & C road funds and impact fees are not enough to complete those or many other projects.

There are no numbered bills at the Legislature that address increased transportation funding for municipalities. The House leadership wants the counties to impose a quarter-cent sales tax. Forty percent of that would go to the cities, 40% would go to transit and 20% would go to the counties. The current 24.5% gas tax would be reduced to 12%.

The Senate would like a five to ten cents per gallon increase in the gas tax. They're considering a local option sales tax of .15 cents to .25 cents, to be imposed by the counties or the cities. There's a lot of conversation about who should impose those taxes.

ULCT wants a quarter-cent sales tax imposed by the cities.

ULCT's resolution covers all three proposals, because it doesn't make any specific recommendations. Municipalities haven't come to an agreement on how new funding should be allocated. Some want a per-person distribution and some want the distribution based on road miles.

The resolution tells the legislators that municipal officials will support increased taxation for transportation. Legislators won't have to assume all the public pressure against additional taxation. The question is whether the Council feels able to take that position. Mayor Pengra didn't think that the Legislature will take up the issue seriously until near the end of this session.

Councilmember Bradley didn't feel that the resolution says enough about specific solutions. Mayor Pengra said that's intentional. It's not designed to offer a specific solution, but to

emphasize that the issue needs to be addressed, and the municipalities will support the Legislature in funding a solution.

Councilmember Westmoreland liked the spirit of the resolution, but he was uncomfortable with the allocation solutions. He would prefer a more specific description of the allocation plan. He thought that residents will want to know what's being done with the money municipal governments already have.

3. <u>ADJOURN TO A CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – The City Council will adjourn into a Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing reasonably imminent litigation and the purchase, lease or exchange of real property pursuant to Section 52-4-205(1) of the Utah Code, Annotated.

**MOTION:** 

Councilmember Burnham moved to adjourn into a Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing reasonably imminent litigation and the purchase, lease or exchange of real property, pursuant to Section 52-4-205(1) of the Utah Code, Annotated. Councilmember Ireland seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

# 7:00 P.M. POLICY SESSION - CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Chris Pengra, Councilmembers Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland.

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Ifo Pili, City Administrator; Paul Jerome, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director; David Mortensen, City Treasurer; Jeremy Cook, City Attorney; Fionnuala Kofoed, City Recorder; Melanie Lahman, Deputy City Recorder; Chris Trusty, City Engineer; Adam Ferre, Energy Director; Steve Mumford, Planning Director; Kent Partridge, Building Official; Linda Peterson, Public Information Director; Rand Andrus, Fire Chief; Eric McDowell, Sheriff's Deputy.

4. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pengra called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pengra led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 6. INFORMATION ITEMS/UPCOMING EVENTS
  - **Spring Soccer and Baseball Registration** Registration for youth spring soccer and baseball is available now through March 4. Please check the City website, Recreation tab for program details and online registration.
  - Camp Williams Joint Land Use Study Community Meetings Two meetings will be held this week to provide the public with an opportunity to get information and provide input on the Camp Williams Joint Land Use Study. A meeting will be held tomorrow, February 4 at

- Herriman City Hall from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and Thursday, February 5 at Saratoga Springs City Hall from 6:00-8:00 p.m. More details are available on the City website, events calendar.
- **Hunter's Education Class** The Division of Wildlife Resources is offering a hunter's education class at City Hall on Saturday, February 21 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. For details, please visit the calendar on the City website.
- **Princess Academy** Miss Eagle Mountain, Alyssa Diaz, will host the annual Princess Academy at City Hall on Saturday, February 28 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Cost is \$10. Preregistration is required and space is limited. Registration and details on the City website, calendar.
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENTS Time has been set aside for the public to express their ideas, concerns and comments.

None.

8. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR'S ITEMS – Time has been set aside for the City Council and Mayor to make comments.

## Councilmember Steinkopf

Councilmember Steinkopf welcomed those in attendance at the meeting.

## Councilmember Burnham

Councilmember Burnham appreciated everyone who came to the meeting or will watch it later. She thanked the Mayor and staff who worked on the prison relocation report and said it was very well written. She encouraged interested residents to attend the Prison Relocation Committee meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Friday.

## Councilmember Ireland

No comment.

## Councilmember Westmoreland

No comment.

# Councilmember Bradley

Councilmember Bradley welcomed those who came to this meeting. He invited everyone to attend the prison relocation meeting on Friday at 1:00 p.m. in Senate room 210.

#### Mayor Pengra

Mayor Pengra thanked everyone attending this meeting. He thanked the staff who put in a lot of work on the prison relocation report. There are links to it on his blog and on the City website. It has been distributed to the members of the Prison Relocation Committee. Mayor Pengra has met with several members of the committee and has meetings with the remaining members this week.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### 9. MINUTES

A. January 20, 2015 – Regular City Council Meeting

#### 10. FINAL PAYMENT

A. Pony Express & Ranches Parkway Traffic Signal – Hunt Electric

**MOTION:** 

Councilmember Burnham moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Ireland seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **SCHEDULED ITEMS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

11. <u>ORDINANCE – Consideration and Adoption of an Ordinance of Eagle Mountain City, Utah, Amending the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget.</u>

This item was presented by Paul Jerome, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director. The proposed amendments to the FY 2014-2015 budget include the City's portion of the new Utah Valley dispatch facility that was previously approved by the Council; Hidden Canyon park; the traffic light at Ranches and Pony Express Parkways; the cemetery; and library books.

Mayor Pengra opened the public hearing at 7:21 p.m. As there were no comments, he closed the hearing.

**MOTION:** 

Councilmember Steinkopf moved to adopt an Ordinance of Eagle Mountain City, Utah, amending the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 budget. Councilmember Bradley seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### 12. PUBLIC HEARING

A. <u>ORDINANCE – Consideration of an Ordinance of Eagle Mountain City, Utah,</u> Amending the Spring Run Master Development Plan.

This item was presented by Steve Mumford, Planning Director. The proposed ordinance is for an amendment to the Spring Run Master Development Plan and approval of a preliminary plat. The original Master Development Plan was approved on July 19, 2011. The Spring Run Master Development is located north of Wride Memorial Highway and east of Meadow Ranch, and surrounds a 160-acre industrial-zoned property that includes the gravel pits. The plan includes approximately 520 acres and provides a mix of residential densities, a town center area, commercial/mixed-use areas, a business park, an industrial area, an elementary school site, and parks and trails. A total of 1,077 residential units were approved with various densities. The preliminary plat consists of 71 single family lots in varied sizes.

Since the Master Development Plan was approved, a school has been built west of the project area. The developer plans to rezone the school site to additional residential lots, a church lot and a park. The trail buffer area has been redesigned. The master development agreement requires a detailed landscape plan and irrigation plan prior to the first final plat approval. Additional conditions proposed by the Planning Department are listed above in the minutes of the Work Session.

Councilmember Burnham said the plan states there are 71 lots, but she doesn't see 71 on the plat map. Mr. Mumford explained the lot numbering system.

Councilmember Bradley noted that one trail was removed with the new plan, which is fine, but he likes the idea of a connector.

Councilmember Ireland asked if there will be a trail connecting to the Black Ridge Elementary School trail. Mr. Mumford said potentially, there could be.

Councilmember Bradley asked about the street name change from Ranches Parkway to Spring Run Blvd. Mr. Mumford said the change will be at Wride Memorial Highway. A change point hasn't been chosen for the change from Spring Run Blvd. to Mt. Airey Drive. Councilmember Bradley felt the street name should be consistent.

Councilmember Steinkopf thought the name should change from Ranches Parkway to Spring Run Blvd. at Wride Highway to make it easier for people to find addresses.

Chris Trusty, City Engineer, recommended changing the street name between the two roundabouts at either end, making the east-west road between them Spring Run Blvd.

Mayor Pengra invited the developer, James Allred of Twelve Horse Ranch, LLC, to speak to the Council. Mr. Allred felt the name should be changed at Wride Memorial Highway.

Fire Chief Rand Andrus stated that changing a street name at a bend in the road makes it hard for safety responders to find addresses when they're dispatched.

Councilmember Burnham asked how Mr. Allred felt about the conditions listed by Mr. Mumford. He said he was fine with them. He especially liked the trail connector recommendation.

Councilmember Ireland asked what Mr. Allred thought about moving the park away from the main road and placing the church lot there. Mr. Allred explained that there will be a lot of grade separation between the park and the street. Locating the park next to the street also allows for better storm water control.

Mayor Pengra opened the public hearing at 7:50 p.m. As there were no comments, he closed the hearing.

Councilmember Ireland asked if an HOA will maintain the park. Mr. Allred said he would work with City staff to clarify that. Mr. Mumford said the Master Development Agreement stated that it would be HOA maintained and owned, but that can be worked through at plat approval.

MOTION: Councilmember Burnham moved to adopt an Ordinance of Eagle Mountain City, Utah, amending the Spring Run Master Development Plan and adding condition #1. Councilmember Steinkopf seconded the motion.

Condition #1 states that this approval is contingent upon the Master Development Agreement being amended by the City Council.

After additional discussion, the motion was amended.

MOTION: Councilmember Burnham moved to adopt an Ordinance of Eagle Mountain City, Utah, amending the Spring Run Master Development Plan, adding condition #1, and amending condition #6 to state that a trail connection be constructed to

connect with existing Meadow Ranch infrastructure so the trail can be continued to Black Ridge Elementary School. Councilmember Steinkopf seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

B. MOTION – Consideration of a Preliminary Plat for Spring Run.

#### **MOTION:**

Councilmember Ireland moved to approve a preliminary plat for Spring Run, with the six conditions outlined, with condition #6 as amended in the previous motion. Councilmember Steinkopf seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The final conditions are as follows:

- 1. This approval is contingent upon the Master Development Agreement being amended by the City Council.
- 2. A detailed landscape & irrigation plan for the neighborhood park shall be submitted & approved prior to approval of the first final plat. The plan presented tonight is a concept only. The park must comply with the City Code park amenity requirements.
- 3. At recordation of each final plat an amount equal to the pro-rata cost per lot shall be provided as a cash escrow for improvement of the neighborhood park. This escrow will be reimbursed to the developer upon completion and approval of portions of the neighborhood park.
- 4. Water model required to determine pressure zones and available flows.
- 5. Trail buffer areas that are disturbed during construction must be reseeded with a native seed mix that includes sage brush, rabbit brush, and a wildflower mix.
- 6. A trail connection be constructed to connect with existing Meadow Ranch infrastructure so the trail can be continued to Black Ridge Elementary School.
- 13. <u>RESOLUTION Consideration of a Resolution of Eagle Mountain City, Utah, Encouraging the State of Utah to Address Comprehensive Transportation Funding.</u>

The League of Cities and Towns has requested that member cities and towns adopt a resolution that encourages the State of Utah to address comprehensive transportation funding. Utah's population is expected to grow by 1 million residents by 2040 and there is a need to develop transportation options to include bike lanes, multi-use paths, off-road trails and transit in addition to roads. Comprehensive transportation will reduce private vehicle use which will improve air quality. Alternative transportation options and investing in trails, bike lanes, sidewalks and multi-use paths will improve personal and community health. A transportation funding option would allow for statewide implementation of a quarter cent (\$0.0025) local options sales tax to be used for transportation to satisfy current and future transportation needs. This item was tabled from the January 20, 2015 City Council meeting.

Mayor Pengra stated that State B & C road funds, funded through the State gasoline tax, aren't enough to pay for municipal transportation needs. Eagle Mountain needs new roads, as well as a great deal of road repairs. It also has two intersections that are at service level "F." The resolution is intended to show the Legislature that local officials support them in raising taxes to fund transportation.

Councilmember Bradley said that he supports ULCT and the Legislature in their efforts to fund municipal transportation needs. He didn't think that raising taxes was the way to do that. He felt State officials should do more with the funds they have available. He couldn't support raising taxes when he feels there's a massive amount of waste at the State level.

Councilmember Burnham asked whether ULCT planned to present only the resolution to the Governor and legislative leadership, or whether they'll present the background material, as well. Mayor Pengra responded that ULCT will only present the resolution. The resolution is a tool for ULCT to approach State officials and say they have a significant number of local officials behind them.

Councilmember Ireland felt that each level of government ought to find ways to fund its roads. If the funding level is insufficient, that level of government should raise the funds. He felt that Eagle Mountain doesn't need another way to raise taxes when it could go through the truth in taxation process to raise property taxes.

Mayor Pengra stated that the only method of raising funds that the ULCT is supporting at this time is the local option sales tax, which allows the municipality to control how all of the money is used. A municipality can't create a tax.

Councilmember Bradley pointed out that a use tax affects everyone, where those who don't pay the gas tax don't contribute to transportation funding. Mayor Pengra stated that property tax only affects property owners, not renters.

Councilmember Bradley said he would never support a fee because he saw it as a tax without truth in taxation. He also felt that, with as little sales tax as the City collects, it will receive less money.

Mayor Pengra stated that, whatever law is enacted, Eagle Mountain needs to know what it will get. ULCT is only one of many voices trying to affect the outcome.

Councilmember Burnham noted that ULCT decided to support this resolution based on a vote by municipal officials at a ULCT meeting.

Councilmember Westmoreland was unsure exactly what this resolution accomplishes. Everyone knows that transportation funding is inadequate and that municipal officials need more funding to meet their needs. He would rather see a bill proposed.

Mayor Pengra said that the same issue came up at last year's session of the Legislature. It's almost certain that if the Legislature takes action, their solution will be something that no one is really happy with.

Councilmember Burnham asked Mr. Jerome how much property tax revenue the City receives each year. Mr. Jerome said it's about \$1M a year. She asked how much the City spends on law enforcement. Mr. Jerome said it's about \$2M. B & C road funds amount to \$737,000 per year and sales tax brings in about \$2.2M per year.

Councilmember Steinkopf felt gas tax revenue, while it's low right now, will rise as oil prices rise again.

The Mayor and Council discussed how they might edit the resolution.

The resolution failed for lack of a motion.

13. <u>BID AWARD – Consideration and Award of Bid for an Elevator for the Energy Building.</u>

This item was presented by Chris Trusty, City Engineer. The proposed bid award is for the installation of an elevator in the Energy Building. The basement of the building is being finished to accommodate some additional office space for City staff with the sale of the Public Works Building to Rocky Mountain Power. So far, only two bids have been submitted.

**MOTION:** 

Councilmember Ireland moved to table an award of bid for an elevator for the Energy Building until a third bid is submitted. Councilmember Westmoreland seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Adam Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

15. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR'S BUSINESS – This time is set aside for the City Council's and Mayor's comments on City business.

## Councilmember Steinkopf

Councilmember Steinkopf said it was great being here.

## Councilmember Burnham

Councilmember Burnham asked for volunteers to serve as Youth City Council Advisors.

#### Councilmember Ireland

No comment.

# Councilmember Westmoreland

No comment.

#### Councilmember Bradley

No comment.

#### Mayor Pengra

No comment.

16. CITY COUNCIL BOARD LIAISON REPORTS – This time is set aside for Councilmembers to report on the boards they are assigned to as liaisons to the City Council.

None.

#### 17. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

- A. Upcoming Agenda Items
- B. Financial Report

#### 18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councilmember Ireland moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m.
Councilmember Westmoreland seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Adam

Bradley, Donna Burnham, Ryan Ireland, Richard Steinkopf and Tom Westmoreland. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

